

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Ref: **TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM APPLICATION APPROVALS,  
RESOLUTION TA-02-17**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Resolution TA-02-15 for one Traffic Congestion Relief Program application for \$4,675,000. A fact sheet describing each project is attached.

- Project #9.2 – \$4,675,000 for Phase 4 for Capitol Corridor; improve intercity rail line between Oakland and San Jose, and at Jack London Square and Emeryville stations in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties – Emeryville Station Track and Platform Improvements.  
Applicant Agency: Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA)  
Implementing Agency: CCJPA

Attachments

## TCR Program – Application Approval Project # 9.2

**Regional Capitol Corridor; improve intercity rail line between Oakland and San Jose, and at Jack London Square and Emeryville stations in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties.**

(\$ X 1,000)

Estimated Project Cost:	\$4,900	TCRP Funds covered by the application:	\$4,675
TCRP Funds – Subproject #9.2:	\$4,900	Phases(s) covered in application:	4
TCRP Funds for Project #9:	\$25,000	TCRP Funds Previously Approved for #9.2:	\$225
Lead Agency:	Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority	Implementing Agency:	Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority

TCRP allocation request concurrent w/application: **\$4,675**

Advance requested: \$0

for Phase(s): 4  
for Phase(s): N/A

**Project Summary:** The overall Capitol Corridor Project is designed to improve the intercity rail line between Oakland and San Jose, and the stations at Emeryville and Jack London Square in Oakland. The improvements will result in greater operational reliability, increased passenger rail capacity and reduced trip times along the corridor. Ultimately, these improvements are expected to increase ridership on the Amtrak Capitol Corridor. The overall project consists of four Sub-Projects:

- Sub-Project #9.1 - Oakland to San Jose improvements – Harder Road Undercrossing (Total cost: \$8.898 million, including \$0.6 million of TCRP funds),
- Sub-Project #9.2 - Emeryville Station track and platform improvement (Total cost: \$4.9 million, all TCRP funds),
- Sub-Project #9.3 - Jack London Square Station track and platform improvements (Total estimated cost: **\$750,000** ~~\$10.0 million~~, **funding to be determined**),
- Sub-Project #9.4 - Oakland to San Jose intercity track improvements (Total cost: \$43.6 million, including \$19.5 million of TCRP funds).

The total cost for all four Sub-Projects is **\$58,148,000** ~~\$65,998,000~~, with \$25,000,000 of TCRP funding.

### TCRP #9.2 – EMERYVILLE AMTRAK STATION

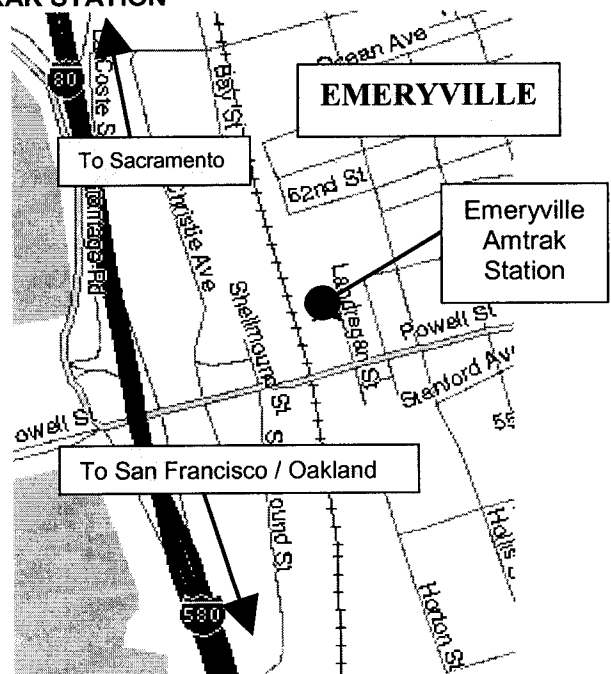
Sub-Project #9.2, Emeryville Station track and platform improvement project will permit parallel passenger moves into and out of the Emeryville Station, providing added capacity and improved operational benefits for freight and passenger trains to bypass passenger trains in the station.

**Summary of Action:** This application programs Phase 4 – Construction. The end dates for Phase 1 – Environmental, and Phase 2 – Plans, Specifications & Estimates, have also been updated.

**Prior TCRP Action:** Original application was approved on March 28, 2001 Resolution (TA-01-06). A minor amendment to update Phase 1 and Phase 2 schedule approved October 2001. A subsequent minor amendment to update Phase 1 and Phase 2 schedule was approved April 2002.

**Status of Conditions:** No conditions.

**Discussion/Issues:** No issues. Project is fully-funded. This project is Statutorily Exempt under CEQA. Regional Transportation Plan documentation on file.



Recommend Approval with the following stipulation: It is recommended that the Commission make it known that it expects the CCJPA to implement substantial project management practices to ensure sufficient savings are realized from TCRP Projects #9.2 or #9.4 (Oakland to San Jose Improvements) or other State or locally funded projects, in order to fully-fund TCRP #9.3, Oakland Jack London Square Station Track Improvements project, as rescoped.

**Cost and Schedule** (\$ x 1,000)

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Scope</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Cost</b>
1	Preliminary Engineering, Environmental Review and Permits.	12/01	11/02	\$25
2	Preparation of project plans and specifications.	12/01	11/02	\$200
3	Right of Way Acquisition - N/A			
4	Construction	12/02	12/03	\$4,675
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$4,900</b>

**Funding Plan** (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
TCRP	State	Committed	\$25	\$200		\$4,675	\$4,900
		Proposed					
	Totals:	Committed	\$25	\$200		\$4,675	\$4,900
		Proposed					
		Totals:	\$25	\$200		\$4,675	\$4,900

**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**  
**Approval of Traffic Congestion Relief Program**  
**Project Applications**

**RESOLUTION TA-02-17**

- 1.1 WHEREAS the Traffic Congestion Relief Act of 2000 (herein after referred to as “statute”), which was established by Chapters 91 (AB 2928) and 656 (SB 1662) of the Statutes of 2000, establishes the Traffic Congestion Relief Program, providing \$5.39 billion for projects throughout the State of California to reduce traffic congestion, provide for safe and efficient movement of goods, and provide system connectivity; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS in accordance with Government Code Section 14556.11 the California Transportation Commission (Commission) has adopted guidelines, in consultation with the Department of Transportation (Department) and regional agencies, to implement the Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP); and
- 1.3 WHEREAS the statute and guidelines require applicants to specify full and complete project applications, including scope, cost and schedule, financial plans and funding sources; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS the Commission, with assistance from the Department, is required by statute to review and approve applications for TCRP projects that meet the requirements in statute and guidelines; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS the Commission, with assistance from the Department, has reviewed submitted TCRP project applications, and subsequent clarifications and revisions, and determined they comply with the statute and guidelines.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Commission does hereby approve the following TCRP project application for \$4,675,000 as submitted, with subsequent clarifications and revisions:
  - Project #9.2 – \$4,675,000 for Phase 4 for Capitol Corridor; improve intercity rail line between Oakland and San Jose, and at Jack London Square and Emeryville stations in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties – Emeryville Station Track and Platform Improvements.  
Applicant Agency: Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA)  
Implementing Agency: CCJPA;and
- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission expects the CCJPA to implement substantial project management practices to ensure sufficient savings are realized from TCRP Projects #9.2 or #9.4 – Capital Corridor, Oakland to San Jose Improvements, or other State or locally funded projects, in order to fully-fund TCRP Project #9.3 – Capital Corridor, Oakland Jack London Square Station Track Improvements project, as re-scoped; and
- 2.3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all applicant agencies shall provide the Commission and the Department with a progress report on April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year on actual expenditures and status of work, until the projects have been completed; and

- 2.4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this TCRP project application approval by the Commission reserves the State funding for the projects as specified by the statute, and allows the applicant agencies to incur costs in accordance with the approved project application, statute and guidelines.